

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BENGT GUSS ET AL.  
SERIAL No.: 09/147,405

FILED: April 1, 1999

FOR: New Fibrinogen Binding Protein Originating from  
Coagulase-Negative Staphylococcus

GROUP ART UNIT: 1645

EXAMINER: S. Devi

ATTY. REFERENCE: JDB/Guss/405

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Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for:

One Month       Three Months  
 Two Months       Four Months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$ 400.

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**Deposit Account Number 02-0200**. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Applicant is a **small entity** entitled to pay reduced fees in this application. A verified small entity statement  has been filed.  is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

**Amendment after final office action**  
**Request for Continued Examination (RCE)**  
**Proposal for Amending Drawings**  
**Computer Readable Diskette of Sequence Listing**  
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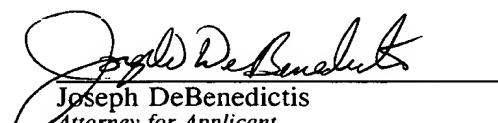
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